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DID HE JUMP OVERBOARD?

THE AGENT FOR AN INSURANCE COM-PANY DISAPPEARS.

JOHN O. BACKE MISSING FROM HIS OFFICE SINCE THURSDAY, WHEN NOTES INDORSED BY HIM FELL DUE-LAST SEEN BY A COM-

PANION ON A SOUND STEAMER-

WHO DISEMBARKED. city for the last eight years of the Union Central Life Insurance Company, of Cincinnati, is reported to have been missing from his office in the Metropolitan Life Insurance Building, at Thursday, and no one knows where he went to

It was said at his office late yesterday that he left there on Thursday last saying that he was going on a trip to Eoston; that he had not returned, and that he had not been heard from since his departure. Matters have come to light since his departure which, it is said, may have been the cause of his remaining away. On the day he left town for Boston six notes which he had indorsed fell due at the Western National Bank, and it is said that before going away he did not call at the bank or make any provision for their payment.

On March 1 three more notes fell due and were protested. All the notes were made payable at the Western National Bank, which had discounted them for Mr. Bache between October 25 and December 1 last. The nine notes ranged in amounts from \$376 to \$487, and aggregated \$3,775. They were made payable three and four months from date. The makers of these notes are said to be George F. Romer, S. M. Morrison, E. F. Bagley, S. M. Minzeshelmer, James P. Irving. John A. Cotter, James Penebrook, Robinson A. Claffin and William H. Englewood. They were indorsed by John O. Bache, and by John O. Bache as manager, Metropolitan Building, Madison-ave, and Twenty-third-st. Valentine P. Snyder, vice-president of the Western National Bank, after the notes had oeen protested, caused

der, vice-president of the Western National Bank after the notes had ocen protested, caused inquiries to be made at Mr. Bache's office and house, but could learn nothing.

Carter. Hughes & Dwight, attorneys for the bank filed an attachment at the Sheriff's Office yesterday against Mr. Bache for \$3,775, which they obtained on the allegation that he had departed from the State with intent to defraud creditors and to avoid the service of summons. Deputy-Sheriff Henning served the attachment at the Garfield Safe Deposit Vaults, where Mr. Bache is said to have a box, and late yesterday Carter, Hughes & Dwight obtained an order permitting the Sheriff to open the box.

Dr. Henry T. Boyle, medical examiner here for the Union Central Life Insurance Company, started with Mr. Bache for Boston on Thursday last on the steamer Plymouth, of the Fail River Line. They chaited together on the steamer during the evening, and started to bed about 2 a. m. On reaching the stateroom Mr. Bache said he did not feel sleepy yet, but would go to look up the baggage. As Mr. Bache did not return, Mr. Boyle inquired of a deckhand, who said that Mr. Bache had taken another stateroom. Mr. Boyle was unable to learn where the stateroom was, and returned to his own room. On reaching Fail River Mr. Boyle is quoted as saying that he inquired and searched high and low for Bache throughout the steamer, but could find no trace of him. Mr. Boyle then though the might find Mr. Bache in the town, but after several hours' searching could find no trace of him.

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Mr. Bache's full name is John Owen Bache. He has been connected with life insurance business in this city for the last fifteen years, and was formerly an Episcopal clergyman here.

At the home of Mr. Bache, No. 66 West Fortysixth-St., where a Tribune reporter called last night. little information could be learned regarding the missing man. The place is a boarding-house, kept by Mrs. Begeau. It was said that Bache left there on Wednesday afternoon. He took but little with him. Nothing had been heard of him since his departure. It was thought that he had no relatives in this city, but he has a cousin in Boston. Dr. Charles C. but he has a cousin in Boston. Dr. Charles C. Boyle, who, it was said, is a brother of the Dr. Boyle who accompanied Bache on the boat, has an office in the boarding-house and lives at No. an office in the boarding-house and lives at No. 147 West Forty-third-st. At the latter place it was said he was out of town. The reporter called at the homes of Brayton Ives, president of the bank; Valentine P. Snyder, the vice-president, and H. A. Smith, the cashler, but none of them would say anything about the matter.

CHANGES IN THE RAPID TRANSIT ACT. COMMISSIONERS TO MAKE PUBLIC THEIR CON-CLUSIONS THIS AFTERNOON.

The Rapid Transit Commissioners met yesterday

afternoon in a long executive session, as a result of which they will make an interesting report at the public meeting to be held at 3 o'clock to-day. The Commissioners present were A. E. Orr, J. H. Inman, J. H. Starin, Seth Low, John Claffin and William Steinway, together with Albert B. Hoard-

man, of counsel to the Board, and William B. Par-sons, engineer. The entire session was devoted to an informal discussion of amendments to the Rapid Transit act and amendments and changes in the general plan of construction of the rapid transit railroad. A definite conclusion was reached by the Commissioners in these matters, and their decision will be given out at the public meeting to be held this afternoon. The Commissioners hope that Mayor Strone and Controller Fitch will be present at this meeting.

THE TWO DETECTIVES DISCHARGED.

THEIR CASE MAY BE TAKEN BEFORE ANOTHER GRAND JURY-THEY STILL TALK OF A SUIT FOR CONSPIRACY.

tral Office detectives who were arrested last week of agents of Dr. Parkhurst's society, accusing them of having been in league with Joseph Liss in a burglary at No. 8 Delancey-st., were formally discharged by the Recorder yesterday. In dismissing the case the Recorder wrote:

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The Grand Jury having heard and considered the case substantially as presented to me, and the same having been passed upon and dismissed by the Grand Jury of the February term, I consider it proper to discharge these defendants, without prejudice, however, to another information or other additional facts laid before me or any other magistrate.

Agents of Dr. Parkhurst's society said yesterday that they probably would take the case of the two detectives before another Grand Jury, and the de-tectives are talking of trying to have the agents in-dicted for conspiracy.

DAMAGE BY THE ICE GORGE.

Port Deposit, Md., March 5.-The water has all wn, but the railroad track for two miles is covered with ice from five to twenty feet thick. The town authorities are trying to cut a driveway through the streets. There is a fourteen-mile gorge at McCall's Ferry which may move at any time. The damage by the flood will reach \$25,000, most of which will have to be paid by the poorer

When the ice gorge broke yesterday the frozen mass, driver by a swift current, came rushing down upon the already inundated town. The peo-ple, however, had been warned, and no lives were lost. Several fishermen's families, who did not abandon their homes in time were taken out of the second story windows into boats. The doors and second story windows into boats. The doors and windows of warehouses near the shore have been demolished by the floating ice. Along the Columbia Railroad the ice is piled up twenty feet high, and all trains are stopped. The waiting-room of the station is filled with ice and debris.

The great ice fields stretching from Port Deposit down to Garrett Island present a picturesque scene. In some places the ice floes are twenty to thirty feet high, and great masses of ice are piled against the piers of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad bridge.

PITTSBURG DISTRICT COAL MINERS STRIKE. Pittsburg, March 5.-Another general strike among the coal miners of the Pittsburg district The action was unexpected, and bears out the threat of the officials that the operators would not have notice to prepare for the suspension. About 10,000 men will be affected by the secret or der sent out last night to suspend work. The miners of this region say that not another ounce of coal will be mined in the communities affected, until the 69-cent rate is recognized. This afternoon a committee of seven leading coal operators was appointed by the Coal Association to confer with the miners' officials regarding the wage scale. MAYOR STRONG WAS ABSENT.

EX-SENATOR MILLER GIVES A LUNCHEON AT WHICH EX-SENATOR PLATT WAS THE ONLY GUEST.

There was a luncheon yesterday about which the politicians are doing a great deal of talking. Mr. luncheon. Mayor Strong not. Ex-Senator Warner Miller gave the luncheon, and ex-Senator T. C. Platt was his only guest. The meal was served in the breakfastroom of the Lawyers' Club, in the Equitable Building, and Mr. Miller and the man whose place he took in the United States Senate fourteen years ago occupied over an hour in discussing the bill of fare, said to be elaborate, and such political topics. as the two ex-Senators might be expected to conexpressed, however, that Mr. Miller should have deemed it necessary to make what seemed to be an effort to placate Mr. Platt, after the pub-Twenty-third-st, and Madison-ave., since last Beation yesterday morning of the Herkimer states. claration outlining his views on the necessity of legislation, and regarding other matters upon which he radically disagreed with she projects of the would-he hose of Tioga. The current opinion was that Mr. Miller had made a mistake which he would resret. What Mr. Platt thought about the affair was shown in the promptness with which he accepted Mr. Miller's remarkable invitation, and the additional promptness displayed by Mr. Platt in getting the afternoon papers to make a "spread" of it.

STRANGE DISAPPEARANCE, OF A MUSICIAN

PROPESSOR KASCHOSKI, WHO HAD BEEN EN-GAGED AS CHORUS-MASTER FOR THE GER-

ported at police headquarters late yesterday after-noon the strange disappearance of Professor Sigmond Kaschoski, a musician, who has been missing gaged in the latter part of November as chorusmaster by Walter Damrosch, to train the chorus night on December 5 and 6 o'clock the following West Thirty-fifth-st., and has not been seen since. Mr. Damrosch and several persons connected with e Musical Courier" have been untiring in their

Professor Kaschosk: is thirty-two years old, 5 feet 9 inches high, and stout. He has brown hair and eyes, and a small brown mustache. When derby hat. In the latter part of December a report was circulated that the missing Professor's body was found in the water at South Beach This proved to be untrue. Friends of the missing

This proved to be untrue. Friends of the missing man have made a thorough search of all the hospitals and institutions, and every unknown body taken to the Morgue has been examined, but no trace of Kaschoski has been found. The professor is a native of Poland. His father is the chief rabht of Warsaw. One of his sisters is a singer at the Vienna opera. Kaschoski for some time previous to his disappearance inhored under the hallucination that every woman he met was in love with him. It is a fact, according to a friend, that he was desperately in love with Mine. Nordica, When she arrived here from Europe in November last, he sent her several larke pieces of flowers. Two nights before he disappeared he spoke of committing suicide, and several of his fellow-hoarders chaffed him about it. He had just begun the work of training the chorus of Mr. Damrosch's opera company when he disappeared

A WHOLE MONTH PASSING THE CAPES.

ING TO GET UP THE DELAWARE. Philadelphia, March 5 (Special).—The Italian bark Rosin, Captain Guerolo, which arrived here to-day from Genoa after a voyage of eighty-one days, was casions. She reached within fifty miles of the cape on February 4 after a fine voyage, when she struct a terrific northwest gale. It was too severe to face so the vessel was turned around and scudded under bare poles with the wind, the force of which was so pare poles with the wind, the force of which was 250 miles southeast of Bermuda. Several sails were lost and the rigging was damaged, while everything movable on deck, as well as the blocks on which the anchors were lashed, was swept overboard, the ways washing over her continually. The weather more. This time she was only carried Zo n when the weather moderated and the bark able to turn her bow again toward Philadel. When she reached the capes on Monday the was only blowing at a moderate rate, and the got to port to-day without any further trouble

Minneapolis, March 5.-Mr. Dyer, one of the jurors in court yesterday, was brought in an ambulance to the Criminal Court this morning, carried by his fellow-jurors upstairs to the courtroom and placed on a cot-bed there. Harry Hayward, when he came ments of John Kearns, a waiter, who hved into the courtroom, looked so pale and ill that he was the subject of general comment, but he declared that he never felt better in his life. Miss Ging and Miss Ireland were both present. At 10 In the wild rush for safety Mrs. Rose Kennelty, o'clock County Attorney Nye began his closing ad a widow, sixty years old, living in the top flat with o'clock County Attorney Systems and colliblooded and scheming, with Blixt, the laboring
man, ignorant and a tool, and contended that there
was nothing in the case from beginning to end
which was not absolutely consistent with the statement of Blixt, which was corroborated by Erhari.

At the afternoon session, Mr. Nye again took up
the matter of Hayward's loans to Miss Ging. He
described once more with great emphasis and dramatic gestures the scene in the Oneida Block office
between the two brothers, and recited a dozon circumstances to prove that Adry Hayward had at
first attempted to shield his brother. Mr. Erwin's
point regarding the weight of buliets and cartridges
was called "another plece of thin air." As to Harry
Hayward's testimony, the speaker had thought
before Hayward got through that he had but intensified the truth of the State's theory

Mr. Erwin will speak to-morrow dress to the jury. He contrasted Hayward, cold-

NOT ACCREDITED TO " THE IRISH CAUSE." Washington, March 5 .- "The telegram from Chicago, printed this morning," said Dr. Rooker, secretary of Monsignor Satolli, at the Papal Legation to-day, "explains something which we received yes. to-day, "explains something which we received yes-terday through the mail. It must have been one of these pamphiots referred to in the dispatch, al-though it was so blind to those of us here who are not acquainted with the condition of affairs to which it referred that we could not understand it. Being anonymous, as well as inexplicable, it prob-ably went into the waste-basket, for I have not been able to put my hand upon it in order to identify it as the petition sent to Monsignor Satolli. It was headed "The Irish Cause," and began with a statement that Monsignor Satolli's presence with a statement that Monsignor Satolil's presence was needed in Chicago more than anywhere clae just now. An organization, murderous in its character and purposes, containing a number of priests in its membership, with a record of one murder already committed and threatening to add to that number, was said to be in existence and the inference to be drawn therefrom, I suppose, was that Monsignor Satolil should go out there and undertake to disband the organization or control it in the interest of peace and good order. But the Monsignor is not accredited to 'the Irish Cause' in this country, whatever that may be, and until something more definite and personal is received from these people it is not likely that any attention will be given to them by him."

St. Paul, March 5.—The Minnesota "Tribune" Com-pany has filed in the United States Circuit Court a bill of complaint praying for an injunction to restrain the Chicago organization styling itself the "Associated Press" from furnishing its night news report to "The Journal" Printing Company for publication in "The Minneapolis Times" or any other morning newspaper published in the territory of "The Minneapolis Tribune." It is set forth that in March, 1853, the "Associated Press" entered into an agreement with "The, Tribune" Company not to furnish sny news reports in "The Tribune's territory to kny newspaper not entitled thereto, and that in direct violation of this contract the "Associated Press" began in September, 1894, to furnish to "The Journal" Printing Company, of Minneapolis, the same news reports which it had agreed to furnish exclusively tolithe Minnesota "Tribune" Company, notwithstanding "The Tribune's" protests and requests to the contrary. "Associated Press" from furnishing its night news

THE SHORT LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL

Trenton, N. J., March 5 .- Justice Van Syckel to-Huckin against Englewood Township, which clares unconstitutional the Short law, under which Montclair and other Essex municipalities are in-corporated. No reasons are filed with the conclu-sion.

COMBINATION BY THE TAMMANY HOLD-OVERS.

THEY WILL BE REMOVED-REPRESENTATIVES OF

STREET CLEANING COMMISSIONER. Colonel Waring yesterday dismissed James F. Martin, Assistant Dump Inspector, and District Superintendent John McCormack. The charge against the men was intentional apathy. Colonel Waring would not say anything about the men's politics, but it is said that he suspects them of being Tammany men. Deputy Street Cleaning Commorning that the Department suspected that its Tammany employes had plotted to cast odium on Colonel Waring's administration by shirking their

"I have personally investigated the charge," he said, "and can say it is true. I could judge from conversations I have overheard that a plot was on foot by the Tammany holdovers. When I told Colonel Waring he put detectives to work and they confirmed our suspicions. There will be a whole-sale dismissal of Tammany men, ranging from Tammany men, ranging from sweepers up to section foremen. The axe will spare Commissioner Waring bad a busy day yesterday in

much occupied to give nearly two hours in the afternoon to a conference in the United Charities duilding with some thirty representative philanthropic societies and Good Government clubs. Suggestions had been sent to all the clubs and societies which had expressed an interest in the subject of street cleaning and reports were received yester-day from several of them. Among those present were Mrs. F. P. Kinnicutt, at whose house the firs conference as held, Mrs Trautmann, Dr J. Lozier and Mrs. Rosenfield, of the Ladies' Health Protective Association; Dr. Jane E. Robbins, of the College Settlement; James B. Reynolds and Dr. D. Lummis, of the University Schilement; the Rev. John B. Devins, of the Federation of East Side Workers, J. C. Pumpelly, of the City Improvement Society: T. L. McClintock, of the City Vigilance League; Cyrus Clark and Walter Stapler, of the West End Association; Clarence Gordon, of the

East Side House; O. Payne, of Good Government Club H; Dr. Pailip Meirowitz, of Club Z; Hoffman Miller, of Club O, and Harold P. Brown, of Club C. Mrs. Kinnicutt had spent two days in inspecting the part assigned to her in the central part of the arts in the streets in violation of the law; many blocks in which there was no representative of th department, other blocks where quantities of refse had been collected by the sweepers and left thirty-six barrels of ashes, a coal scuttle and an

in the University Settlement, had made a house-to-house inspection of his district, which takes in One or two visits to the police stations resulted in gravitying results. The visits untitued semi-weekly as long as the neces-

A complaint caused their removal within

FATAL FIRE IN COLUMBUS.AVE.

SUMMING UP THE CASE AGAINST HAYWARD. ONE WOMAN LOSES HER LIFE IN A BURNING FLAT-HOUSE

Pire broke out early yesterday morning in the five-story flathouse No. 270 Columbus-ave., and before the flames were extinguished one woman was burned to death. The fire started in the apart his wife and four boarders on the fourth floor The flames spread rapidly, and the tenants had only time to escape in their nightclothes

In the wild rush for safety Mrs. Rose Kennelty her son-in-law, Charles Connellan, was forgotten her son-in-law, Charles Connellan, was forgotten, and was brought down later by the firemen, burned to death. Most of the tenants came down the fire-escapes, and many of the women were almost frantic through fear. The flames spread to the roof of No. 372 Columbus-ave, but the firemen worked hard and soon had them under control. The cause of the fire is unknown. The building is owned by McAleeran, a Sixth-ave, pawnbroker. The total damare is thought to be 22,000 The ternatts in No. 372 suffered severely from water. Shelter was given the homeless people in neighboring houses.

POULTRY FANCIERS ORGANIZE

Baltimore, March 5. Baltimore and Washington poultry and pigeon fanciers formed a union yesterday and organized the Maryland and District of Columbia Poultry and Pigeon Association. The association will have annual poultry shows, alternate-ly in Baltimore and Washington. It was decided to have the show in Washington next year from January 3 to 16. Boston and New-York associa-tions have agreed to arrange non-conflicting dates with the Maryland and District of Columbia As-sociation. It is said the union makes the Maryland and District Association the strongest organized budy of funciers of positry in the country.

NAT GOODWIN UNABLE TO FINISH THE PLAY. Nat C. Goodwin, the actor, was taken suddenly ill with vertigo at the end of the first act in Gilded Fool" at the Park Theatre in Brooklyn last night and was unable to go on. Colonel Sinn, pre-prietor of the theatre, announced that although Mr.

friedro of the theatre, announced that although and cloodwin's attack was severe, he would doubtless be able to pear at the matinee performance at the Park to-day.

The curtain did not rise after the first act, and the audience passed out, some expressing sympothy with Mr. Goodwin, while others scolded because of their disappointment. Mr. Goodwin seemed to be in excellent spirits on Monday night, and his sudden sickness was a great surprise.

A THIRF SHOT BY A RAILWAY DETECTIVE. Buffalo, March 5.-Stephen Gourneck, thirty-two years old, was shot and probably mortally wounded at midnight by Detective Mantell, of the West Shore Railroad, who caught him in the act of stealing brass bearings from cars. The railroads have suffered severely from this species of thievery, and detectives are now employed to patrol the yards and protect the property. Last night Mantell, with Eric Detectives Haley and Davis, discovered two men with a jackscrew in the act of elevating a car to remove the brasses. Mantell called to them to surrender, but the men attacked him and he fired, the bullet taking effect in Gourneck's side. The

CHARLES FAIR'S DEMURRER OVERRULED. San Francisco, March 5.-The demurrer of coun-Charles Fair to the petition of the executor propose of the missing document as the will of

the late Senator Fair was overruled to-day and the case was continued until March 18. The Court de-cided to hear on Saturday the application of coun-sel for the executors for leave to file a certified copy of the will.

A CAMDEN ATTORNEY DISBARRED

Trenton, N. J., March &-The rule to show cause why ex-Assemblyman John Harris, of Camden, should not be disbarred from practising in the courts of this State was made absolute by the Supreme Court to-day. His license as an attorney was revoked. Harris has been convicted of embezzlement, and for a time was a fugitive from justice.

A PLOT AGAINST WARING. SWEPT BY REPUBLICANS.

MANY TOWN ELECTIONS IN THIS STATE CARRIED BY THEM.

DEMOCRATIC RULE IN AUBURN ENDED-THE RE-PUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR MAYOR OF ITHACA DEFEATS TWO COMPETITORS.

Auburn, March 5.-The Republicans elected their entire city ticket to-day by majorities ranging from 800 to 1,500. The offices of Mayor, Treasurer, City Judge and Recorder, which have been filled by Democrats for from four years to thirteen years, have been given to the Republicans. Orlando Lewis was elected Mayor by about 1,500 majority. Rome, March 5.-At the municipal election here to-day the Republicans elected Dr. W. J. P. Kingsley Mayor over Jerome Graves, by a majorty of 553. They also elected their Justice of the Peace, two out of four constables and four out of five Aldermen.

Ithaca, March 5.-An exciting charter election in Ithaca has just ended by the election of Leroy G. Todd, Republican, as Mayor of the city, by 515 plurality. There were three tickets in the field, headed respectively by Mr. Todd, Republican; W. F. George, Democrat, and W. K. Cessna, who was nominated by the Populists and indorsed by the Prohibitionists. The Democratic candidate was second in the race. Two years ago the antisaloon, or no-license, party carried the city. Three out of the four Aldermen elected to-day are Republicans. The city is nominally Democratic

Saratoga, March 5 (Special) .- A comparatively light vote was polled at the Saratoga County lown meetings to-day. The Republicans were

Amsterdam, March 5 (Special).-The charter election in this city to-day resulted in a sweeping Republican victory. William A. Fisher, the workngmen's candidate for Mayor, is elected by over 300 majority. Republican Aldermen are elected n all the five wards. The excise question entered largely into the election. It was a question of high license or low license. The Committee of One Hundred nominated a temperance excise ticket, and the Democrats withdrew in favor of the Republican excise nominees. The latter are elected by nearly 800 majority. The Board of Supervisors of Montgomery County will stand: Republicans, 12; Democrats, 3—the same as last year. The Board of Aldermen of the city is en-

to-day seven Republicans and two Democrats were elected. Four of the five Aldermen elected are Republicans. The proposition to bond the city for \$70,000 for a new water system was deexted by 52 majority.

Middletown, March 5.-A city election was held by majorities ranging from 384 to 650. They elected every candidate except one, Alderman Excise Board was elected by a ma parity of 472, but two members of the board who will hold over are for license.

Kingston, March 5 (Special).-According to late advices the town elections to-day for minor flices in Ulster County seem to have gone Re-utilizan by large majorities. The Board of apervisors remains strongly Republican.

Highland Falls, March 5 (Special).-The town elections have gone Republican by a large ma-ority. The whole ticket was elected.

Niagara Falls, March 5 .- The Democrats elected their entire city ticket to-day. O. W. Cutler was elected Mayor by a majority of 188. Phillips, Republican, was elected last year by nearly Hornelisville, March 5.-A light vote was

polled in this city to-day. Hiram Wagner, Probiblifonist, was elected Excise Commissioner, being the first "no-license" Commissioner ever elected in the city. The Democrats elected five Elmira, N. V., March 5.-A hot election to-day resulted in the choice of the Democratic candi-

date for City Judge by about 1,000 plurality. Edgar Denton headed the Democratic ticket, and strength of the Republican candidate, who is an irlsh Catholic. The Democratic vote was cast solidly for the candidate of the party. Six Republican Aldermen and five Democrats were

Utica, March E.-Lewis County to-day elected en Democratic and eight Republican Supervis-ers. The board remains unchanged politically. Fulton, March 5 (Special).-The election here o-day resulted in a complete victory for the Republicans. This is the second year's use here
of the Myers ballot machines, which operated
from morning until night without interruption.

Feekskill, March 5 (Special).-The charter elecon held here to-day resulted as follows: Stephen Horton, Independent Democrat and Repuban, re-elected president; William Brotherton nd Charles W. McCutcheon, re-elected trustees; Robert S. Allen, re-elected treasurer; and George McNutt, assessor; all Republicans. The vote on Water Commissioners is: Ardenus R. Free, Re-publican, 570; Edward F. Hill, Democrat, 655; and Homer Anderson, Democrat, 611. The Repub-licans will have a majority in both boards. The vote cast was light.

DEMOCRATS WIN AT PORT RICHMOND. The charter election of Port Richmond was held yesterday. It resulted in a Democratic victory, The following were elected Trustees, George T. Egbert and George C. Traintor; Assessor, James Larkini

REPUBLICANS CARRY BURLINGTON, VT. Burlington, Vt., March 5.-W. J. Van Patten was re-elected Mayor of Burlington to-day by a ma-jority of 599, Republican Aldermen were elected in all the wards.

BUSINESS BUILDING BLOWN TO PIECES

DISASTROUS NATURAL GAS EXPLOSION AT ANDER SON, IND. 12005, \$400,000.

Anderson, Ind., March 5.-The most destructive natural-gas explosion in the history of the Indiana gas belt occurred here at 4 o'clock this morning. A \$75,000 business block on the Court House Square was blown over all the central part of the city. In the building were the When clothing stores, Prather's shoe store, Hadley's drug store, and a large number of business offices and halls on the upper floor. Fire followed the explosion, which was like an earthquake, and the wreckage began burning flercely. entire fire department was called out and prevented the fire from reaching the new Court House. The loss on the building and contents is total, and will reach \$400,000. The fronts of all total, and will reach \$400,000. The fronts of all the business houses in the neighborhood were demolished, paved streets were ripped open and telephone cables torn down. A falling wall caught Fireman Gustin and crushed his arm.

Mrs. Wilson Porter Rayner, of Chicago, gave spirit readings here a week ago, and said that in a short time the business centre of the city would be visited by a big fire and that there would be shoes flying about in the flames. The prediction was verified to-day.

ALLEGED CORRUPTION IN CHICAGO.

GRAVE CHARGES AGAINST CITY AND COUNTY OFFICIALS-AN INVESTIGATION ASKED. Springfield, Ill., March 5.-Senator Johnson, of

Cook County, created a sensation this morning by offering in the Senate a resolution charging the municipal and county authorities of Chicago and Cook County with boodlelsm and calling for the appointment of a joint committee of the Senate and House to investigate. The resolutions charge that there is gross irregularity in the Police Department of Chicago, that valuable franchises have been bartered and sold by the City Council in disregard of all rights, that places on the Grand Jury have been bestowed to pay political debts, and that the town assessors have persistently shifted the bur-den of taxation on the poor, while the wealthy have purchased opportunity to dodge taxation.

JOHN A. SLEICHER CHOSEN. AGAINST W. K. VANDERBILT.

APPOINTED SUPERVISOR OF "THE C'TY RECORD."

WELL KNOWN AS THE FORMER EDITOR OF "THE ALBANY EVENING JOURNAL" AND MORE RE-CENTLY OF "THE MALL AND EXPRESS"

-AN ARDEST ANTI-PLATT MAN.

The Board of City Record, composed of Mayor Strong, Commissioner Brookfield and Corporation Counse! Scott, has decided on the appointment of John A. Sleicher as Supervisor of "The City Record" to succeed William J. K. Kenny. Mr. Kenny has performed the duties of this office since October, 1889, and has been a faith-



J. A. SLEICHER.

ful, efficient and popular officer. Mr. Sleicher was until last Saturday Editor of "The Mail and Express," when he tendered his resignation. He lives at present at the Gilsey House, in the XIth Assembly District, but his legal residence and place of voting is in Albany, where he was for many years Editor of "The Albany Evening Journal." Mr. Sieicher has been prominent in the Anti-Platt faction at Albany, and last year was a candidate for member of the Republican State Committee to succeed William Barnes, jr., a Platt man and Editor of "The Albany Journal" and "The Express." . The contest resulted in a rie, and Mr. Barnes's ultimate selection.

Mr. Sleicher is to enter upon his new duties next Monday.

HUGH WHORISKEY GETS AN OFFICE. SHERIFF TAMSEN GIVES THE PLATT HEELER AND BETRAYER OF POLITICAL FAITH A DEPUTYSHIP.

Another old-time employe of the Sheriff's office stepped out yesterday to make room for one of the men appointed under the new administration. Sheriff Tamsen has appointed Hugh Worlskey, of East One-hundred-and-fourteenth-st., to the office of deputy-sheriff, the place lately held by Peter Mc-Ginness, who was in the Sheriff's office for twentyfive years. Whoriskey is said to belong to the Re-publican organization of the district. He gave bonds

publican organization of the district. He gave bonds in \$25,000 yesterday, and entered upon his duties. The salary is \$2,500 a year.

Whorlskey is one of the Republicans of the XXVIth District who, although pledged to vote for William Brookfield for chairman of the County Committee, voted for Lauterbach. He is likewise one of the men who for this self-same proceeding were deluged with blackballs last week when they tried to get into the Republican Club of the XXIVth District.

J. E. CONNER HANDS IN HIS RESIGNATION. James E. Conner, Deputy Commissioner of Jurors, placed his resignation in the hands of Major Plimplaced his resignation in the hands of Major Finn-ley. Commissioner of Jurors, yesterday, to take effect March io. Mr. Conner, who is a Tammany Democrat, has seen twelve years' service in the Jury Bureau. As already printed in The Tribune. Patrick H. Dunn, Republican, of the XXIIId As-sembly District, will succeed Mr. Conner.

FOUR CLERKSHIPS ABOLISHED.

Four clerkships of computers of accounts in the Bureau of Street Opening were abolished yester-March 15. The clerks who have held these places are John C. Taylor, R. Guy Foater, John E. Daly and F. A. Finegan, Taylor, Foster and Daly received \$1,200 a year each, and Finegan's salary was \$900 a year.

PINGREE'S HEALTH BOARD OUSTED.

THE NEW BOARD APPOINTED BY GOVERNOR RICH ENTER THE BUILDING ESCORTED BY POLICE-DR. M'LEOD'S RESISTANCE.

Detroit, March 5.-Dr. Duncan McLeod, Health Officer under the Health Board recently legislated out of existence by the State Legislature, was last night forcibly removed from the Health Building by the new board appointed by Governor Rich. McLeod and the old board refused to surrender possession of the building and determined to fight the legality of the new board in the courts. McLeod kept the building barricaded and refused entrance to all comers until last night, when in his temporary to all comers until last light, when in his temporary absence the new board, accompanied by a squad of police, descended on the building and took complete possession. When McLood returned he showed fight and finally had to be thrown bodily from the structure by the police. The latter had come prepared to storm the building, bringing crowbars and jimmles to break in the doors. Dr. McLeod will now sue for personal damages.

A SOUTHERN RATE WAR DECLARED.

THE SEABOARD AIR LINE ANNOUNCES BIG CUTS

Norfolk, Va., March 5.—The war between the Sea-board Air Line and the Southern Railway and Steamship Association has culminated in the issuing of a mammoth circular to be scattered broad-cast throughout the country by the Seaboard Air Line system, in which that company says that "the Line system, in which that company says that the principal competitors of the Seaboard Air Line, having announced that they could not secure all of the business except through the questionable method of a boycott, and having declared one effective from and after March 1, 1895, therefore, on March 6, the boycotted line, the Seaboard Air Line, announces the following rates effective from and after Wednes

the following rates effective from and after Wednesday, March 6, and until further orders:

"Fer first-class passenger tickets, good for thirty days from date of sale, between Atlanta, Elberton, Lawrenceville, Winder, Georgia and New-York, via Portsmouth, Va., reduced from \$24 to \$14; Philadelphia, £156 to \$11.0; Baltimore, \$17.50 to \$9.50; Portsmouth and Norfolk, \$14.75 to \$8; Petersburg \$15.50 to \$9.15; Richmond \$15.50 to \$9.80."

These sweeping reductions are followed by the statement that "the superb train service of the S. A. L. is not disturbed by the boycott. The Atlanta special vestibuled limited, composed of day coaches and Pullman drawing-room, buffet, sleeping-cars, runs solid between Atlanta and Washington, making three hours' quicker time to New-York than any train upon which no extra charge is made." Is made.

The Seaboard people say that they will fight it out on this line if it "takes all summer," and that they have faith in their ability to hold their own against any combination that can possibly be made or that has been made.

TO URGE HOME RULE IN TAXATION.

A public meeting was held in Masonic Hall, Sixth-ave. and Twenty-third-st., last night to discuss and advocate the passage of the Ainsworth bill for Home Rule in Taxation. Surrogate Ransom presided. Among those who spoke on the sub-ject were Louis Windmuller, Julien T. Davies, Wheeler H. Peckham and Thomas G. Shearman. Wheeler H. Peckham and Thomas G. Snearman. A committee was appointed to visit Albany to-day to attend the joint hearing on the Ainsworth bill in the Senate Chamber. The committee comprised Edward Lauterbach, Cyrus Clark, Thomas G. Shearman. B. F. Romaine, H. E. Deming, Boton Hall, James McMahon, Ernest H. Crosby, theorge W. Wanmaker, Benjamin Doblin and I. L.

SONS OF THE REVOLUTION MEET IN TRENTON. Trenton, N. J., March 5.—The annual meeting of the Sons of the Revolution was held in this city to-day. The officers elected were: President, S. M. Dickinson, Trenton; vice-president, C. H. Sinnickson, Salem secretary, J. A. Campbell, Trenton; treasurer, H. H. Hamill, Trenton; register, F. C. Griffiths, Trenton; historian, Morris H. Stratton,

PRICE THREE CENTS.

HIS WIFE GETS A DIVORCE.

THE TESTIMONY AND REPORT SEALED

BY ORDER OF THE COURT.

THE NEWS PRODUCES A BIG SENSATION.

A REVIEW OF THE TROUBLE BETWEEN THE COUPLE - THEIR SEPARATION LAST YEAR, SOON AFTER THEIR PROJECTED YACHT-

> ING TOUR AROUND THE WORLD WAS SUDDENLY BROKEN UP - MR. VANDERBILT'S DOINGS IN

PARIS AND THE GOS-SIP ABOUT HIM.

A sensation was caused in this city yesterday afternoon by the announcement that L decree of absolute divorce had been granted by Judge Barrett, in the Supreme Court, to Alva E. Vanderbilt from William K. Vanderbilt. The divorce in one of the richest families of this country, announced on the day following a marriage in another of the richest of American families, was spoken of as one of the most remarkable things which had occurred in some time. In every fashionable drawing-room, in all of the clubs and wherever New-Yorkers met last evening, the divorce was the exciting topic of conversation, and the actions of William K. Vanderbilt and of Mrs.

Vanderbilt for months past were talked over. The unhappy marital relations of the couple have been known to their intimate friends for some years; at length led to a separation about six months ago, and ended in the divorce for which a decree was entered yesterday. Mr. Vanderbilt is on board his yacht at Nice.

Mrs. Vanderbilt is staying here. Under the decree of divorce, as granted to Mrs. Vanderbilt on the usual statutory grounds, to her is given sole charge of the three children, al-

though the father is allowed access to them at all reasonable times, and there is a condition that the boys shall be educated in the United States. THE TESTIMONY SEALED. As all the testimony and the report of the referee have been sealed, no facts can be ascertained as

to the parties who are implicated with Mr. Vanderbilt. Although a liberal allowance has been granted to Mrs. Vanderbilt, there is no record of the sum which her husband has agreed to give

her, as the only paper which the public can examine is the decree of divorce. The decree of the court is granted upon the report of Edmond Kelly, who was appointed to hear and determine all the issues involved in the action. The complaint in the suit was served on Mr. Vanderbilt on January 3 last, and within a short time the answer of Mr. Vanderbilt was

served by his counsel, Anderson, Howland & Murray. The case was sent to the referee on January 18.

THE DECREE OF DIVORCE. The decree of divorce, apart from some of the egal verbiage, is as follows:

This action having been brought by the plaintiff against the defendant for the purpose of obtaining a judgment of divorce and dissolving the marriage between the parties on the ground of the defendant's adultery, and the summons and a copy of the complaint having been duly served on the defendant in person within the State of New-York on the 3d day of January, 1995, as appears by the affidavits of William H. Keogh, duly filed, and the defendant having appeared herein by Anderson, Howland & Murray, his attorneys, and duly served on the plaintiff's attorneys in answer to the said complaint herein and putting in issue the allegations of adultery therein contained, and an order having been duly made and entered in this action whereby it was referred to Edmond Kelly, as sole referee, and having been tried before the said referee, and he having made his report thereon, on January 18, 1895, with the evidence and proceedings taken before him, it appears, and the referee finds and decides, among other things, that the material allegations of the plaintiff and defendant were married in this city on April 20, 1875, and were residents of the State of New-York at the time of the marriage until

plaintiff and defendant were married in this city on April 20, 1875, and were residents of the State of New-York at the time of the marriage until and at the time of the commencement of this action; that the defendant had been guilty of the acts of adultery charged in the complaint, as in the said report found and specified, and that there is no judgment in any court of the State of New-York or of any other State against the plaintiff and in favor of the defendant for a divorce on the ground of adultery, or otherwise; that the complainant is a proper person to have the care and custody of the children of the marriage, namely, Consuelo Vanderbilt, William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., and Harold S. Vanderbilt; that the defendant is a man of considerable means and able to provide for his wife and family, and that the complainant is entitled to suitable provision for the support of herself and for the education and maintenance of her children.

The referee having directed that judgment be entered in this action in favor of the plaintiff and dissolving the marriage between the parties hereto, and the action having duly come on to be heard on February 5, 1895, and the referee having duly made his report to this court, the parties were directed to attend a special term of this court on February 21, 1895, to present evidence on both sides. Said hearing having been duly adjourned until this day, the plaintiff presented an agreement making due provision for the eduration and maintenance of the children and support of the plaintiff, dated January 19, 1895, the plaintiff duly walved and relinquished all her right and claam to have any such provision required to be made by this court herein. And after hearing Joseph H. Choate, William Jay and William H. Duer, of counsel on behalf of plaintiff, and Henry H. Anderson, for defendant, and on motion of Deyo, Duer & Bauerdorf, attorneys for plaintiff, it is ordered, judged and decreed that the said report of the referce be in all respects ratified, approved and confirmed, and it is furthe

cordingly.

It is also adjudged that the plaintiff be permitted to marry again during the life of William K. Vanderbilt, as if the marriage to him had

lam K. Vanderbilt, as if the marriage to him had never taken place
It is decreed, however, that William K. Vanderbilt is not permitted to marry during the lifs of the said Alvá E. Vanderbilt.
It is ordered that the said William K. Vanderbilt be permitted to visit the said children at all proper times.

It is also ordered that the children receive their education in the United States upon consent of both parties through their lawyers in court.

Neither the complaint nor the answer nor the report of the referees nor the testimony is open for inspection. The only paper than can be seen is the decree of the court. This, in addition to setting forth the facts, as above stated, finds that Mr. Vanderbilt is a man of considerable means and well able to provide for his wife and children, and that she is entitled to a suitable provi-

sion for the support of herself and the mainte nance and education of the children. . THE SECRECY IN THE CASE.

Judge Barrett, when seen concerning the se crecy in the matter, said: "The papers in divorce cases are not sealed by order of the Court On the contrary, it requires an order of the court to unseal them. A rule of practice, not only in this court, but in the courts throughout the State, requires that the testimony in divorce cases be sealed. The seal can be broken only by the court, and an order to that effect would be granted only to persons interested in the matter and entitled to the privilege for reasons other than mere curios-

Judge Barrett declared that it was not proper for the papers in any case to be seen, with exception of the decree, and that the clerks did not have the right to allow any person to see the testimony in divorce cases without an order from the Court. He said that the testimony was sealed